



March 7, 2022

Administrator Michael S. Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
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Via Email and First-Class Mail

Re: Pontchartrain Site – LaPlace, Louisiana

Dear Administrator Regan:

I am writing in response to your letter of January 24, 2022 to Mr. Ed Breen, the CEO of DuPont de Nemours, Inc. ("DuPont"). As Chief Technology and Sustainability Officer of DuPont, I welcome the opportunity to highlight our Company's deep commitment to using science and innovation to improve society and to specifically address the concerns that you have expressed. As an initial matter, it is important to note that, although DuPont is the current owner of the Pontchartrain Site in LaPlace, Louisiana ("Site"), we do not now and have never operated the adjoining neoprene facility, which is currently operated by Denka Performance Elastomers. The DuPont operation at Pontchartrain manufactures a raw material which is integral for the manufacture of Kevlar® and does not use or emit chloroprene.

That said, DuPont, and its predecessor company E. I. du Pont de Nemours, Inc. ("EID"), has been a part of the community surrounding the Site for more than half a century. Tens of thousands of caring women and men from the area have worked at the facility over time and contributed to this community economically, culturally and by engaging in volunteer efforts, fully in cooperation with and supported and encouraged by DuPont. These contributions continue to this day including mentoring students from local schools to develop their interest in STEM, participating in science fairs and volunteering at the local VA hospital, among others. DuPont and EID families have worked in, and their children have attended, the neighboring school, Fifth Ward Elementary. The school has provided, and will continue to provide, our team members of tomorrow with critical early education and we care deeply about its success.

The women and men of DuPont conduct their operations at the Site in keeping with the environmental, health and safety policies that are at the heart of our Company's Core Values. We know that our mission to drive positive change globally begins by making a difference in the communities in which we operate. DuPont works collaboratively to identify and deliver sustainable innovations that help solve some of the world's biggest challenges, while protecting our people, our communities, and our planet. We reinforce these commitments to internal and

external stakeholders, and hold ourselves accountable for continual improvement, aided by science and technology, to drive advancements and progress on our Sustainability Goals. (Please see our full Sustainability Report, found at: www.dupont.com/about/sustainability-2021.html.)

Compliance with our Core Values and commitments, applicable laws, and other requirements is the responsibility of every employee and contractor acting on our behalf. In keeping with these commitments, the Pontchartrain Site has received multiple Louisiana Environmental Leadership Awards and repeatedly been recognized as an OSHA VPP Site, as a result of its exemplary comprehensive safety and health management system. This includes receiving the VPP Star of Excellence.

DuPont is aware of and assisting with the ongoing discussions among Denka, EID, EPA and Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) regarding chloroprene emissions from Denka's neoprene operations. We appreciate your recognition of our voluntary efforts, as the landlord, to work with Denka to provide access for the fenceline monitoring network that was recently installed. As you are aware, prior to this we voluntarily worked with your administration and its contractors and provided access to facility property for the installation, operation and maintenance of the SPod community air monitoring system.

The Site employees participate and provide facilitative leadership within the local Community Advisory Panel and Near Neighbors group. Listening to and acting upon all community concerns is at the core of those efforts. DuPont is committed to continue to work with Denka, its nearest neighbor, the EPA and LDEQ along with the surrounding community to maintain the strong ties and supporting efforts needed to keep St. John Parish a safe and great place to work and live.

Respectfully,



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cc: Mr. Edward D. Breen, Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
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